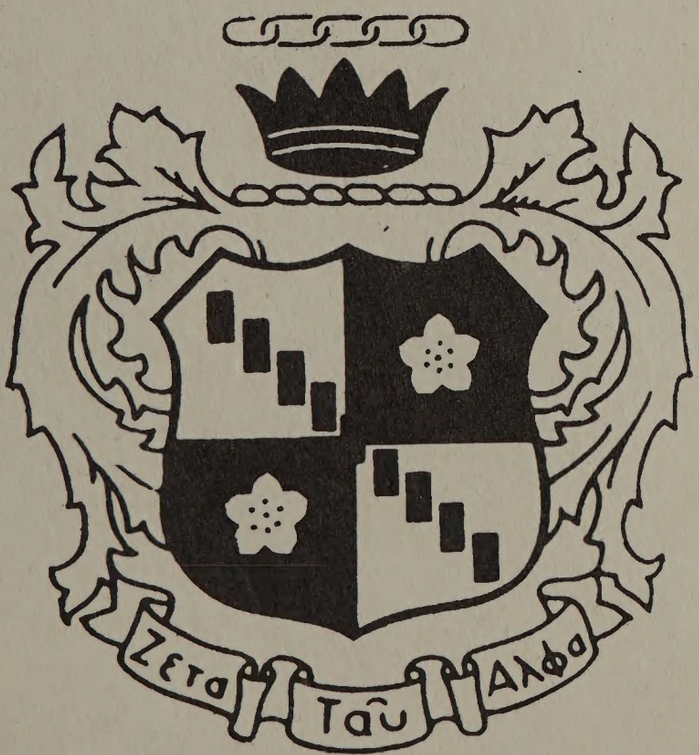

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and
RUSHING
RULES

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THE PANHELLENIC CREED

Adopted by N. P. C. in 1915

We, the fraternity undergraduate members, stand for good scholarship, for guarding of good health, for wholehearted cooperation with our college's ideals, for student life, for the maintenance of fine social standards, and for serving, to the best of our ability, our college community. Good college citizenship as a preparation for good citizenship in the larger world of alumnae days is the ideal that shall guide our chapter activities.

We, the fraternity alumnae members, stand for the active, sympathetic interest in the life of our undergraduate sisters, for the loyal support of the ideals of our Alma Mater, for the encouragement of high scholarship, for the maintenance of healthful physical conditions in chapter house and dormitory, and for using our influence to further the best standards for the education of the young women of America. Loyal service to chapter, college and community is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

We, the fraternity officers, shall stand for loyal and earnest work for the realization of these fraternity standards. Cooperation for maintenance of fraternity life in harmony with its best possibilities is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

We, the fraternity women of America, stand for preparation for service through the character building inspired in the close contact and deep friendship of fraternity life. To us, fraternity life is not the enjoyment of special privileges, but an opportunity to prepare for wide and wise human service.

Centenary College of Louisiana

Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Prospective Rushee:

Welcome to Centenary College! The College has so many wonderful opportunities to offer you and we know you will be happy here. One of the new experiences which awaits you is Rush Week.

Centenary Panhellenic Council feels that it is very important for you to begin Rush Week with an open mind toward all groups. For this reason, summer rushing is not allowed for prospective rushees who plan to attend Centenary.

Your Rush Week experience can be a most worthwhile one if you keep the following points in mind. Be yourself by acting natural and unaffected. Keep your sense of humor. Don't make a hasty decision. Decide in your own mind whether YOU wish to participate in sorority life and to which group you feel you belong.

Remember to call on this office for any help you need. We will be most pleased to assist you in any way possible.

Sincerely,

Julia M. Packwood,
Dean of Women

What Is Panhellenic?

Panhellenic is one of the first names with which a rushee becomes familiar. It is derived from the Greek "Pan" (all), and "Hellenic" (Greek)—thus Panhellenic is an organization of fraternity women. The Panhellenic Council at Centenary is made up of four delegates plus one alumnæ delegate from each of the three fraternities and is the governing body of the fraternities.

It promotes good feeling and cooperation between the Greek-letter organizations, furthers intellectual accomplishments of fraternities, seeks to unify the interests of fraternity and non-fraternity women, makes and enforces rushing regulations and governs the pledging of women students.

The Panhellenic Council meets twice each month to discuss common interests of fraternity standards, scholarship, campus activities and inter-fraternity functions. The officers of the Centenary Panhellenic Council are:

President:	Melanie Martin
Vice President:	Betty Ralph
Secretary-Treasurer:	Kathy Beazley
Student Senate Representative:	Mary Lou Briggs

Members:

Alpha Xi Delta

Gayle Bangert
Mary Ann Honaker
Carol Ann McDonald
Betty Ralph

Chi Omega

Nancy Lecky
Melanie Martin
Carol Wood
Sally Keller

Zeta Tau Alpha

Marty Aiken
Kathy Beazley
Mary Lou Briggs
Ann Olene Covington

Dear Centenary Rushee:

The Centenary Panhellenic wishes to extend to you a sincere welcome to Centenary College. We hope the coming years will be happy and successful ones for you.

For those of you who wish to participate in rush, some wonderful experiences await you. Rush can be the path leading to the establishment of one of college's most lasting relationships, membership in a national women's fraternity.

In order that rush and sorority life be one of the happiest phases of your college days, we request you to go through rush with an open mind and to consider the merits of all three groups. Remember that groups and individuals change through the years. Choose the group which will be most meaningful to YOU.

We look forward to meeting and working with you and we hope that Panhellenic and rush will contribute to the happiness of your college career.

Sincerely,

MELANIE MARTIN

Centenary Panhellenic President

What Is Rushing?

At the beginning of each school year, the women's fraternities have a period called "formal rush." The dates and the schedule are listed on the inside back cover of this booklet. It is a period when the groups entertain girls who are eligible to pledge so they can become acquainted with them. During this period each fraternity is bound by its sense of honor and fair play to give each rushee a chance to make up her own mind. Likewise each rushee is under obligation to observe the spirit of rush also in order to be able to make the right decision.

Eligibility for Rushing

To be eligible for rush, it is necessary for all students entering Centenary to have an overall "C" average. These are the only subjects used in figuring your quality point average: Social Studies, Science, Mathematics, English, and Foreign Languages. Transcripts must be on file and approved by the Admissions Office before a girl can attend Panhellenic Orientation. Girls who were in attendance at Centenary as regular students the previous semester must have maintained a 2.0 average for that semester and must not be on probation. Girls are allowed to participate in formal rush at Centenary only one time.

Summer Rush

Because the Centenary Panhellenic Council wants each prospective rushee to enter the fall rush period with an open mind toward all sororities, our Council does not allow girls who plan to participate in formal rush at Centenary to take part in summer rushing. The following activities are considered to be summer rushing:

1. Rush dates with sorority girls
2. Attending rush parties given by any sorority
3. Visiting sorority houses on the Centenary Campus (unless prospective rushee is invited to a bridal shower, etc. which is held at a sorority house in lieu of a private home and the prospective rushee is a close friend of the honoree).

You may be invited to a function given by the local Panhellenic group in your community. We hope you will attend this party. All sororities will be represented and no rushing will be permitted at this function.

The Panhellenic Council does not wish to interrupt the normal course of longstanding friendships or family relationships, and we encourage you to participate in activities of this nature. However, to insure fairness to all, be careful and abide by these rules *at all possible times.*

If you have participated in rush activities before you receive these regulations, no penalty will be enforced; however, if you violate the rules after you have received this information, then it will be necessary for you to drop out of formal rush for the fall semester. Thanks for your cooperation!

Open Rush

Open Rush begins two weeks after formal rush ends and lasts the entire school year, except for holidays and examinations, and ends in May. Any girl who has a "C" average, and who is a regular student can go through open rush.

Open rush consists of a system of rush dating in which sorority women and rushees may come to know one another better. A rush date may consist of eight girls, two of whom are rushees, or four girls, one of whom is a rushee. A date is binding on both sorority and rushee once the date is made unless it is officially broken by Panhellenic.

The sorority will contact the girls it is interested in rushing. Bids are to be issued only on Tuesdays, and must be delivered to the rushee by 4:30 p.m., Thursday of that week. No oral bids may be given. Sororities must turn in bids to the Office of the Dean of Women by 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays. The Dean of Women will contact the girls who have received bids.

If You Do Not Join

We would also like to point out that if you decide not to join a fraternity, after participating in rush week, you are in no way at a disadvantage on the campus. A great many of the non-fraternity women are among the best-liked and outstanding students at the College. If the individual does not wish to take part in fraternity life, she still has every opportunity to serve Centenary and herself in whatever way she desires and may take advantage of the varied educational and social fields open to her at Centenary.

Rules of Rushing

Rush begins Tuesday, September 10, with the Panhellenic Orientation at which time the rules of rush will be explained. No individual sorority rushing is permitted at the orientation. Rush ends at 5:00 p.m., Saturday, September 14, with pledging.

1. Each girl desiring to participate in rushing must pay a registration fee of $2.00 at the Panhellenic Orientation.
   (Please bring correct change.)
2. Strict silence begins from the time the dormitories open and continues until the end of formal rushing when bids are received. You are to observe complete silence at all times with all college men and women except for other girls who are participating in Rush Week as Rushees. During the Summer and until the dormitories open for formal rush in September, general silence will be in effect.
3. All rushees must attend the Panhellenic Orientation followed by the Panhellenic Tea, Monday, September 10.
4. All rush parties must be held on the campus in the lodges during formal rush week.
5. Rushes leaving a party early or coming late are to be automatically taken off the Panhellenic Rush List except at the discretion of the Panhellenic Council. The same penalty will be incurred by those who attend the wrong party at any time.
6. No transportation will be provided by women's fraternities to any rush party.
7. Potential rushees shall not associate with nor contact by phone or otherwise any boy enrolled in Centenary College during the period of formal rush. Boys are asked to abide by this rule also. If this rule is violated, the rushee is subject to being dropped from rush by the Panhellenic Council.
8. Oral bidding or promising of invitations and bids is prohibited at all times.
9. To be eligible for pledging, a student must have maintained a "C" average in the semester immediately preceding pledging and must not be on probation. An entering student from high school or college must have in addition to the above, an overall "C" average in order to be eligible for pledging. The prospective rushee must have her transcript in and approved by the Director of Admissions before she attends the Panhellenic Orientation.
10. Pick up invitations to the Invitation and Preference Parties at the times shown on the schedule in this booklet.

11. Fraternity women are not allowed to arrange for social engagements with men for any rushee.
12. Fraternity women are not allowed to invite rushees to rush for the fraternities.
13. Only napkins and name tags may be taken from the sorority houses. (This means no candles, flowers or favors.)
14. Each rushee must leave the women's fraternity houses *and grounds* at the time designated on the Panhellenic party schedule.
15. At choir camp, the wearing of women's fraternity pins and jewelry is prohibited for both choir members and visitors.
16. Alumnae must abide by all rules of rush.
17. Rushees may not have any type party during rush either in the dormitory or in Shreveport homes.

Clothes for Rush

Another thing which you'll be most interested in is the type of dress for rush. Don't make the mistake of placing too much emphasis on expensive clothing and accessories. Good grooming and appropriateness of dress are the most important points. Hats are not worn to any of the rush activities. The following guide will answer any questions you may have.

Panhellenic Orientation—Fall cottons and heels
Open Houses—Fall cottons and heels
Invitational Parties—Fall cottons and heels
Preference Parties— Sunday dresses
Receiving Bids—School clothes
Pledging—White dresses and white shoes

Fraternal Obligations

When you accept a bid to a fraternity you automatically pledge yourself to meet certain obligations.

a. You promise to meet all financial obligations.
b. You promise to maintain creditable scholarship. All groups require a 2.2 average for initiation.
c. You promise to become a CONTRIBUTING member of your fraternity, to share chapter responsibilities and duties, to work for the good of your fraternity and Panhellenic.
d. You promise to be loyal.
e. You promise to abide by the standards of the College and the fraternity in order to meet the qualifications for initiation.

The pleasure of belonging to a national fraternity does not stop with college years but continues after you leave school through contacts with alumnae groups. Do not forget, however, that the degree of pleasure you derive from fraternity membership will be in direct proportion to what you contribute.

Alpha Xi Delta	Chi Omega	Zeta Tau Alpha
ΑΞΔ	ΧΩ	ΖΤΑ

PREFERENCE STATEMENT

The Centenary Panhellenic Council

I would be pleased to accept an invitation to pledge from any one of the following fraternities from which I have had invitations during rush:
My preferences are (List in order of choice):

1st Preference.....

2nd Preference.....

Read Carefully

I fully understand that if no bid is given me by the fraternity of my first choice, I will be willing to accept my second preference.

I further understand that I cannot change the order of my preferences once they are submitted to Panhellenic. Also I reserve the right to pledge no fraternity if in the end that seems best to me; but if I am bid by one of the fraternities I have listed above and do not accept, then I am ineligible to join any fraternity for one calendar year.

Sample Copy

Signed.....
(Rushee)

ALPHA XI DELTA

Founded: April 17, 1893 at Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois.

Number of College Chapters: 111.

Colors: Light blue, dark blue and gold.

Flower: Pink rose.

Principal National Project: A basic principle of Alpha Xi Delta is that true friendship expresses itself in service. Alpha Xi Delta has won wide recognition to its own members through various awards and programs. Each year Alpha Xi Delta college and alumnae chapters and clubs, as well as individuals, contribute to the National Philanthropy in memory and appreciation of our Founders. Since 1948 the Founders' Day Philanthropy has been devoted to the welfare of children of our own country. In 1958 Alpha Xi Delta turned to work to prevent juvenile delinquency.

Date of Installation at Centenary: 1931

Location of Chapter House: 2835 Woodlawn

Officers:

President:	Carol McDonald
Vice President:	Kay Brown
Corresponding Secretary:	JoAnne Hester
Recording Secretary:	Barbara Hemphill
Treasurer:	Betty Ralph
Pledge Trainer:	Evaline Markel
Membership Chairman:	Mary Honaker

CHI OMEGA

Founded: April 5, 1895 at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Number of College Chapters: 133

Colors: Cardinal and Straw

Flower: White Carnation

Location of Chapter House: 2831 Woodlawn

Principal National Project: Chi Omega's national projects are in the field of education. The service fund publications are the result of research in the social sciences, paid for by Chi Omega and distributed widely in the United States, Europe and South America. The National Achievement Award, presented to women of distinguished accomplishment is sponsored by Chi Omega. Community social and civic service projects are managed by individual collegiate and alumnae chapters.

Date of Installation at Centenary: 1928

Officers:		
	President:	Nancy Lecky
	Vice President:	Gail Southerland
	Secretary:	Carol Hanna
	Treasurer:	Kathy McCallister
	Pledge Trainer:	Melanie Martin
	Membership Chairman:	Sally Keller

ZETA TAU ALPHA

Founded: October 15, 1898 at Longwood College, Farmville, Virginia.

Number of College Chapters: 117

Colors: Turquoise blue and steel gray.

Flower: White violet

Location of Chapter House: 2807 Woodlawn

Principal National Project: The national philarthropic project of the fraternity is assistance to and work with the National Society for Chrippled Children and Adults. In this capacity Zetas all over the United States give of their time, energy and money.

Date of Installation at Centenary: 1927

Officers:

President:	Marty Aiken
Vice President:	Mary Lou Briggs
Secretary:	Louie Griffith
Treasurer:	Ann Covington
Pledge Trainer:	Mary Lou Briggs
Membership Chairman:	Kathy Beazley

FRATERNITY FEES

Alpha Xi Delta

Pledge Fee $15.00

Pledge Dues (per month).....$ 5.00

Initiation Fee (includes a pin)....$64.00
(No Assessments)

Active Dues (per month).....$ 8.00

Chi Omega

Pledge Fee $20.00

Pledge Dues (per month).....$ 5.00

Initiation Fee $67.50

Active Dues (per month).....$ 5.00

Zeta Tau Alpha

Pledge Fee $20.00

Pledge Dues (per month).....$ 5.50

Initiation Fee (includes a pin)....$67.50

Active Dues (per month).....$ 5.50

GLOSSARY

1. RUSHEE. . . .A girl who is going to any college with N. P. C. groups who is eligible for rushing.

2. PANHELLENIC REGISTRATION . . . Each girl desiring to go through rush must register with the Panhellenic Council and pay a fee of two dollars. She must attend the Panhellenic Orientation and the Panhellenic Tea on Monday, September 10.

3. ACTIVE. . .An initiated member of a fraternity who has completed pledgeship and fulfilled initiation rules.

4. ALUMNAE. . . .Initiated sorority women who have graduated or withdrawn from the campus.

5. PLEDGE. . .A pledge is a newly invited member of a fraternity who must complete a period of pledge training before she can be initiated.

6. QUOTA. . .The pledge quota for each fraternity is determined in September by the number of girls participating in rush week.

7. LIMITATION. . .The limitation on each chapter at Centenary is 55 members.

8. FRATERNITY. . .Formally, the name applied to all Greek-letter organizations, informally, applied to men's groups.

9. SORORITY. . .Informally, the name applied to women's groups.

10. LEGACY...A girl whose mother or sister has been a member of a fraternity is known as a "legacy" to that fraternity. This may entitle her to special consideration, but is not a guarantee of a bid.

11. STRICT SILENCE...It begins from the time the dormitories open and continues until the end of formal rushing when bids are received. At all times you are to observe complete silence with all college men and women except for other girls who are participating in Rush Week. Rushees shall not associate with nor contact by phone or otherwise, any BOY enrolled in Centenary College during the period of formal rush. Boys are asked to abide by this rule also. If this rule is volated, the rushee is subject to being dropped from rush by the Panhellenic Council.

12. PREFERENCE INVITATION....Written invitation to a preferential rush party issued through the Dean of Women's office. The rushee may accept two and not more than two invitations.

13. PREFERENCE STATEMENT . . . A blank which the rushee fills in designating in order of preference the fraternity she would like to join. Signing of this preference shall be binding for one calendar year.

14. ORAL BIDDING.....Bidding other than by written bid issued through the office of the Dean of Women.

15. BID....Written invitation to a fraternity issued through the office of the Dean of Women.

16. OPEN RUSHING...Begins two weeks after the close of formal rush and continues throughout the year for groups who either do not pledge the quota for each group in the fall or who have not reached the 55 member limitation.

17. TO MAKE YOUR GRADES...Satisfying the Panhellenic grade requirements and also the chapter and national scholastic requirements.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PANHELLENIC COUNCIL
OF
Centenary College of Louisiana

Article I — Name

The name of this organization shall be the Centenary College Panhellenic Council.

Ariticle II — Purpose

The purpose of Panhellenic shall be:

1. To maintain on a high plane, fraternity life and interfraternity relations within our college.
2. To further fine intellectual accomplishment and sound scholarship.
3. To co-operate with the college administration in the maintenance of high social standards.
4. To be a forum for the discussion of questions of interest to the college and fraternity world.
5. To compile rules governing rushing, pledging and initiation on this campus.

Article III — Organization

1. The Centenary College Panhellenic shall be composed of all members of eligible fraternities, while active members of their chapters.
2. The Centenary College Panhellenic Council shall be composed of four delegates and one alumnae representative from each of the women's fraternities on the compus. The delegates shall be the President, the Rushing Chairman, and two elected delegates of each active chapter of N. P. C. fraternity on campus. These delegates have the privilege of voice and vote, but the alumna delegate does not hold voting power. The Dean of Women shall be an ex-officio member of the Council.

Article IV — Council Officers and Their Duties

1. The Officers of the Centenary College Panhellenic Council shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and the delegate to the Student Senate.
2. The Officers of the Centenary Panhellenic Council shall serve for a term of one year, the term of office to begin the second week in April after election during the first week in April.
3. The Officers shall be held in rotation by each sorority, except the delegate to the Student Senate who shall be elected by vote of individual members of the Panhellenic Council without regard of sorority affiliation.
4. The duties of the officers shall be those usually delegated to such officers. In addition, the President shall keep on file the NPC manual and reports, and the constitution, by-laws and rules of the Centenary College Panhellenic.

   The Vice-President shall be responsible for organizing Greek Week and assuming duties in the absence of the President at Council meetings.

   The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a file of the minutes of current correspondence and a record of the financial status of the Council. She shall submit a copy of the minutes to the President of the Panhellenic Council, each sorority President, and the Office of the Dean of Women.

   The representative to the Student Senate shall represent Panhellenic at all Student Senate meetings and shall promote full cooperation between the Student Senate and Panhellenic.

The representative shall be elected after the election of Student Senate officers has been completed.

5. An officer who acquires three unexcused absences from a regular meeting shall be automatically removed and another person chosen to serve in this capacity. Excuses must be submitted to the President or the Dean of Women before the meeting.

Article V — Meetings

1. The Centenary College Panhellenic Council shall meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m.
2. Special meetings may be called by any group through the President of Panhellenic.

Article VI — Voting

1. The power of one vote shall be granted each NPC fraternity chapter on campus and to such other national and local chapters on campus as the Centenary Panhellenic has admitted to full membership .
2. A two-thirds vote shall be necessary to fix the date of pledge day and make rules regarding rushing. A majority vote shall be necessary to carry all other questions.

Article VII — Regulations

1. If a fraternity or its individual members violate any regulation of this constitution and by-laws, any of the College Panhellenic rushing rules or the National Panhellenic Compact or Standards of Ethical Conduct, it shall be subject to penalities of the character prescribed by National Panhellenic, namely:
   a. Deferred pledging
      1) Deferred pledging means that the chapter penalized shall not be allowed to issue bids for one college semester.
   b. Deferred initiation
      1) Deferred initiation means that the chapter penalized shall not be allowed to initiate the girls pledged during the rush season in which the infringement occured for one college semester.
   c. Deprivations of Social Privileges
      1) The nature of the penalty shall be determined by the extent of the infringement.
2. Any penalty and the time it shall continue is to be decided through a majority vote of the council, after a thorough investigation of the reported violation.
3. Every offense and the penalty must be reported to the Centenary Panhellenic Council within a week of the day on which the infringement was discovered.
4. The following procedures shall be used for handling violations or disputes:

A. In cases of a misunderstanding between two or among three or more groups, or between an individual and a group or groups:
   1. The College Panhellenic president at once shall arrange for a meeting of delegates of the groups concerned.
   2. To this meeting each involved group shall send
      a. Its chapter president,
      b. Its Senior Panhellenic delegate, unless she is chapter president, in which case the junior delegate shall attend also,
      c. An alumna. Groups that have alumnae Panhellenic delegates, or alumnae advisors, should, if possible, send one of those alumnae officers as alumnae representative.
      d. The Dean of Women shall also attend this meeting.
   3. At this meeting the College Panhellenic President shall preside, if her fraternity is not involved in the misunderstanding; if it is involved, then the senior delegate of the "next in line" group which is not involved, shall be the presiding officer.

4. At this meeting the representatives of all groups involved shall discuss the difficulty and try to reach an amicable solution of their misunderstanding.
5. If the meeting reaches a solution, it shall report in writing to the College Panhellenic president, and she, in turn ,within 48 hours shall report the solution at a called meeting of the College Panhellenic council. The incident then is closed.

B. In cases in which the above-mentioned meeting fails to reach a conclusion:
1. Within twenty-four hours after the above-mentioned meeting fails to reach a conclusion, the accusing individual, group, or groups may put the charges in writing and submit them to the College Panhellenic President and to the accused. This statement shall include the names of the individuals on whose reports the charges are based. It shall be signed by the senior Panhellenic delegate of each group preferring charges (or by the individual preferring charges) and shall state precisely the way in which the rules were violated. Suggested form: "_____hereby accuses_____of having violated paragraph_____, page_____, of the rushing rules of the Panhellenic of_____College."
2. The College Panhellenic president shall call a meeting of the College Panhellenic council to discuss the case, allowing sufficient time so that the accused can bring in its statement.
3. At the meeting, delegates of all accused groups shall be present and be permitted to present their side of the case, and to participate in discussions concerning the charges, but they shall not have a vote on resolutions or recommendations concerning the charges.
4. If the meeting votes that the charges were justified, then the penalty for such a violation, as set forth in the College Panhellenic's constitution and by-laws, shall become effective immediately. The case then is closed.
5. a. If the meeting fails to reach a decision, or if the penalized group refuses to accept the verdict, both the accused and the accusers shall prepare, within 24 hours, written briefs of their positions. These briefs, in sealed envelopes, shall be given to the College Panhellenic President who shall, within the next 24 hours, deliever the briefs, together with a copy of the minutes of the meeting, to the members of the organizations' Judiciary Committee.
   b. If the College Panhellenic has no Judiciary Committee, then each group shall name an alumna to represent it on a temporary Judiciary Committee, preferably selecting one of the alumnae officials listed in A, 2, c.
6. The Judiciary Committee shall meet within the next 48 hours and on the same day that it meets, report in writing its findings and recommendations to the College Panhellenic President. The Dean of Women shall be present at the meeting of the Judiciary Committee.
7. a. The College Panhellenic President shall report the Judiciary Committee's findings and recommendations to a called meeting of the College Panhellenic Council, said meeting to be held within 24 hours after the president has received the Judiciary Committee's report.
   b. At this meeting all disputants may, if they so desire, submit additional evidence before the Panhellenic Council votes on the Judiciary Committee's recommendations, but disputants shall have no vote on these recommendations.
   c. If the recommendations are adopted, any penalty shall become effective at once. The case is then closed.
8. a. If any group decided to appeal from the College Panhellenic Council's final decision it shall within 24 hours after the decision is made, send the College Panhellenic President a written notification of its intention.

b. Further procedure for such an appeal is set forth in the following section (C).

c. Until National Panhellenic notifies the College Panhellenic of its decision the case shall remain unfinished, confidential business.

C. Method of appeal from a decision of a College Panhellenic:

1. A decision of a College Panhellenic shall be binding and must be accepted and abided by unless overruled by higher authority upon appeal as provided for in the following sections.
2. A fraternity chapter, or chapters, wishing to appeal a decision of their College Panhellenic shall send written notification of intention to the chairman of their College Panhellenic.
3. The chairman of the College Panhellenic and the fraternity chapter, or chapters concerned shall send (by registered mail, return receipt requested) complete records of the case in triplicate to the chairman of the National Panhellenic Committee on College Panhellenics, and simultaneously one copy each to the national presidents involved, within ten days after the notification of intention to appeal is made.
4. If the chairman of the National Panhellenic Conference Committee on College Panhellenics is unable to settle the difficulty, she shall be responsible for the further conduct of the case and shall submit (by registered mail, return receipt requested) all data to the national presidents involved.
5. If the national presidents cannot settle the case it may be appealed by any national president to the Executive Committee of National Panhellenic Conference.
6. If the Executive Committee cannot settle the case it may be appealed either by a national president or by the Executive Committee to the National Panhellenic Conference, whose decision shall be final.
7. The right to vote under 4-6 shall be forfeited if no reply is made in ten days after receipt of the registered data.
8. National Panhellenic Conference does not countenance a resort to an injunction or other legal methods as a means of avoiding compliance with College and National Panhellenic rulings.
9. A resort to an injunction or other legal methods as a means of avoiding compliance with College or National Panhellenic rulings by any chapter or any National Panhellenic fraternity shall cancel that fraternity's membership in National Panhellenic Conference and place its chapter in every college on the basis of local fraternities in all College Panhellenic matters, provided such action is not immediately withdrawn, two weeks' time for any adjustment being maximum time allowed the national fraternity involved.

Article VIII — Agreements

1. Fundamental Panhellenic laws as embodied in the Panhellenic Compact and Standards of Ethical Conduct must be observed by Centenary Panhellenic Council.
2. All regulations and laws of the Centenary Panhellenic must be in harmony with the Rules of Procedure for College Panhellenic as adopted by National Panhellenic Congress.

Article IX — Amendments

1. A proposed amendment to the constitution or by-laws must be presented to a regular meeting of the Panhellenic Council at least one week prior to vote being taken on it. A two-thirds vote of the Panhellenic Council is required for the adoption of any amendment.

BY-LAWS

1. All meetings shall be conducted in accord to Robert's Rules of Order.

2. Order of Business
   a. The order of business for all Panhellenic meetings shall be:
      1) Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.
      2) Reports of Boards and Standing Committees.
      3) Reports of Special Committees.
      4) Special orders.
      5) Unfinished Business and General Orders.
      6) New Business.

3. No student shall be asked to join a fraternity before she has matriculated. Formal pledging may not take place until the student is fully enrolled in the college. The bidding of the formal rush period shall be of the preferential type as worked out by the Centenary Panhellenic Council. When a girl receives a bid under the preferential system, the signing of the preferential card shall be binding in the event that she shall be considered ineligible for one calendar year for a bid from any fraternity other than the one from which she received a bid, in accordance with the correct functioning of the preferential system.

4. Pledging
   a. The period of a pledge is one calendar year from the date of formal pledging. If a girl enters another school, she may be pledged to the same fraternity, but not to another N. P. C. fraternity before expiration of one year.
   b. If a girl asks to drop her bid to a sorority, that group must notify the Centenary Panhellenic Council within two weeks.
   c. If a pledge is released by member chapter of the Centenary Panhellenic at any time during her pledge year, or if a girls breaks her pledge, this action must be reported to the Office of the Dean of Women within two weeks.

5. Rushing
   a. Rules for formal rushing shall be printed and a copy of such rules shall be given to every girl who is being rushed by any fraternity during the formal rushing period.
   b. Silence exists from the time the dormitories open until the end of formal rushing when bids are received. Silence means no sorority members, actives, pledges, alums, may have any relations including phone calls with potential rushees or those who have dropped out of rush except at the social functions. This does not prevent the exchange of greetings on campus, however. Nor does it exclude the official college organizations such as Maroon Jackets, the Dormitory Councils, Centenary Choir, Panhellenic Council, or Cencoe.
   c. Potential rushees shall not associate with nor contact by phone or otherwisc any BOY enrolled in Centenary College during the period of formal rush. Boys are asked to abide by this rule also. If this rule is violated, the rushee is subject to being dropped from ruch by the Panhellenic Council.
   d. A girl may participate in formal rush only once at Centenary College. When eligible, she may be pledged at any time during open rush.

6. Inititation
   a. A fraternity in good standing may initiate at its discretion, a pledge who has been registered in at least 12 credit hours and has a quality point average of 2.2 for the previous semester.
   b. A pledge failing to make the required 2.2 grade average for two consecutive semesters shall be dropped from the fraternity. She may be repledged and initiated after making her grades for one semester.

c. A pledge who fails to make her grades at the end of the fall semester and successfully completes her average at the end of the spring semester may have her pledge period extended two weeks after formal rush is over. This enables a sorority to complete all rushing activities before scheduling an initiation ceremony.

d. No Panhellenic fraternity which has an average below 2.0 may initiate.

e. A pledge who is a second semester senior may be initiated at the nine weeks period providing a statement of her grades meets the qualifications herein.

f. If a pledge drops, and proper notification is made to the Panhellenic Council and Dean of Women the day before semester finals, her grades will not be averaged in the sorority average.

g. If a senior pledges a sorority and completes her pledge requirements and has an overall 3.0 average, she may be initiated during the fall semester, provided the National Council of the sorority and the Centenary College Panhellenic Council both approve.

h. No fraternity shall initiate a pledge until the fraternity has filed a Request for Initiation (forms are obtainable at the Office of the Dean of Women) and this request has been approved by the Registrar, Business Office and Dean of Students. After initiation, the sorority President shall complete the certificate of initiation section of this form and return it to the Office of the Dean of Women within three days after initiation. Social forms must be filed for the initiation.

7. Limitation and Quota

a. The chapter limitation for each group is 55 members. This figure is flexible and is voted on by the Council each year before Rush Week. A third semester pledge cannot be repledged and initiated if her initiation puts the chapter above limitation.

b. All regularly enrolled women students who have been initiated by a fraternity at Centenary College and who have been in continuous attendance on this campus will be counted as a member of her fraternity. A special student is regularly enrolled if she is a graduating senior even though taking less than 12 hours.

c. An alumna of a sorority represented on the Centenary campus who enrolls in Centenary as a regular student and who is not college age as determined by the Dean of Women and who does not wish to be affiliated with her sorority must meet with the Dean of Women and the president of her sorority in the Office of the Dean of Women to request permission for non-affiliation. The Dean of Women will present this request at the next Panhellenic meeting at which time the request will be acted upon. If non-affiliation is granted she will not be counted in the limitation.

d. Every regularly enrolled student who has been initiated into a sorority represented on the Centenary campus and who transfers to Centenary shall be counted in the limitation and grade average by the local chapter at the beginning of each semester, if she is affiliated or in the process of being affiliated. All transfers may be affiiliated even though the chapter limitation is exceeded.

e. The pledge quota will be set at the September meeting of Panhellenic.

f. After formal rush has been completed, a sorority may continue to pledge girls until pledge quota has been reached. If, after the pledge quota has been filled, the sorority has not reached chapter limitation (55), the sorority may continue to pledge up to 55. If a girl drops her pledge, another cannot be pledged to fill her place unless the sorority is under chapter limitation.

Tuesday,	September 10	Panhellenic Orientation	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Moore Student Center
		Open Houses	7:15 - 8:00 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
			8:15 - 9:00 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
			9:15 - 10:00 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
Wednesday,	September 11	Pick up invitations for Invitational Parties	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Office of Dean of Women—AB 22
		Invitational Parties	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
			8:30 - 10:30 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
Thursday,	September 12	Invitational Party	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
Friday,	September 13	Pick up invitations for Preference Parties	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Office of Dean of Women—AB 22
		Preference Parties	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
			8:00 - 9:30 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges
Saturday,	September 14	Sign Preference Blanks	9:00 a.m.	AB—21
		Bids Issued	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Science Building 114
		Pledging	5:00 p.m.	Women's Fraternity Lodges

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